Newtown, Jan. 28, 1850.

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My dear Sir,

I had intended to have replied earlier to your very obliging letter of the 17th inst, particularly to answer you of my very deep sympathy, for probably none can understand your sorrows better than myself. Time alone can never assuage them in a sensitive mind. Constant and useful employment will banish them for the time, but when night comes we find etc. yourselves, we then take up the Bible, and there, through the eye of faith, we discover a remedy of the most wonderful healing virtues. This, however, I need not comment

to yourself. I allude to Dr only to learn my testimony along with yours. "It seems," you say, "as if she would return ere long & all that has occurred will appear like a dream." That so will it be, - only you will get her instead of her return to this world of troubles. And yet, with all its troubles, if they be only prosperously crowned, it will ap- -pear as crowded with the sweetest blessings, and those my dearest may be among the best.

I am greatly obliged by your reference to Mr Lawrence, in regard to the music, and it is possible that I may avail myself of the opportunity in behalf of the Parochial Professor.

I have not seen the Tea as the

Broadway Island to which I gave my name,
as the former is an interesting fact, and may lead
to more attention to trees in the country.

With great respect,

I remain, dear Sir,

most truly your friend

Feb. 12 1854.

Martyn Paine.

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